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1. CONTENTS OF REFTEL (C) PROPOSING POSTPONEMENT OF COAL GASIFICATION TEAM VISIT WERE CONVEYED TO DR. R.D. DESHPANDE, DIRECTOR, INTERNATIONAL SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY, DEPARTMENT OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY, BY SCIENCE COUNSELOR IN A LETTER DATED NOVEMBER 15.

2. FOLLOWING IS THE REPLY RECEIVED FROM DESHPANDE DATED DECEMBER 23:

QUOTE KINDLY REFER TO YOUR LETTER OF 15TH NOVEMBER, 1976 REGARDING THE MEETING ON COAL ENERGY TO BE HELD IN THE USA UNDER THE AUSPICES OF THE INDO-US SUB-COMMISSION ON SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY. YOU HAD MENTIONED IN YOUR LETTER THAT ERDA WOULD MAKE NECESSARY ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE VISIT OF THE COAL ENERGY DELEGATION. IN VIEW OF THE FACT THAT THE SUB-COMMISSION WOULD BE MEETING IN MARCH, 1977 IN WASHINGTON, WE WOULD LIKE YOU TO MAKE IMMEDIATE EFFORTS FOR ARRANGING THE VISIT OF THE INDIAN DELEGATION IN JANUARY, 1977 SO THAT THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE DELEGATION COULD BE CONSIDERED AT THE MEETING OF THE SUB-COMMISSION.
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I WOULD LIKE TO MENTION THAT WE ATTACH GREAT IMPORTANCE TO THE VISIT OF THE INDIAN TEAM. THE MEMBERS OF THE INDIAN TEAM ARE EXPERTS IN THEIR FIELD AND WOULD BE TAKING WITH THEM ALL THE NECESSARY INFORMATION WHICH MAY BE REQUIRED BY ERDA REGARDING THE INDIAN PROJECTS IN THE FIELD OF COAL ENERGY UTILISATION. WE SHALL BE GRATEFUL IF YOU WILL

TAKE UP THIS MATTER ON A HIGH PRIORITY BASIS WITH THE ERDA
AND THE NSF AND REQUEST THEM TO FINALISE THE DATES AND THE
ITINERARY OF THE INDIAN DELEGATION. UNQUOTE.SCHNEIDER

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